

library is underfunded, needs better, needs more books, and if we don't fund it, then we not only have a second-rate library system, we have a third-rate library system. Senator Pirsch here has a bill that would cut payments for ADC. Nobody wants to vote for that. The Resource Development Fund is near and dear to my heart, and I can tell you where the \$3 million is going to go this year; 171,000 for the Howells levy, that's flood control protection; the Weeping Water Creek watershed projects, there is 353 million or \$353,000; the Chalco Hills recreation area, there is \$188,000; the Upper Little Nemaha watershed, there is \$965,000 for four dams, that is flood control projects, and if we have another big rain, we are going to wish those dams were built two years ago; and the Papio Site 21, \$1.3 million. Now let's see those people raise their hand who wants to cut...who wants to cut these projects. I don't think we want to do that. Of course, it's on the Governor Nelson's fodder list, I suppose. We've spent more money when it comes to prisons. Our prisons are overcrowded, they are undermanned. That's an increase. I think the thing that worries me as much as anything now is what the weather is doing. I would guess less than 10 percent of the corn crop is planted. Farmers are already looking at a 10 to 20 percent reduction in yield, and that could have big impacts on our budgets down the road. Cattle prices are \$10.00 a hundredweight lower than they have been the last two and three years, and if anybody wants to talk to some agricultural bankers, they will tell you they have more problem loans than they've had in a long time. So I am concerned about the budget. I am concerned we didn't cut enough, but it's not easy decisions that we made. And with that, I'm going to close and I'm going to make a trip up to the balcony and say hello to my cousin, who is teaching those students up there.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Senator Abboud, your light is next.

SENATOR ABOUD: Yes, Mr. President, colleagues, it is always interesting to me that you can look at something and you have two different people and they'll look at the same object and come away with different ideas about what that object is. And that's the way I view this motion. When Senator Robinson came to me with this proposal of bracketing, I didn't view it in the same light as some of the people that have criticized the motion. My perspective was that it was giving the Appropriations Committee another opportunity to try to balance